

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1834

Introduced by Assembly Member Solorio

February 12, 2010

An act to add Section 10540.1 to the Water Code, relating to stormwater.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1834, as introduced, Solorio. Regional water management: stormwater.

The Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act of 2002 authorizes a regional water management group to prepare a regional plan for the implementation or operation of specified qualified projects or programs relating to water supply, water quality, flood protection, or related matters. A regional water management group is authorized to coordinate its planning activities to address or incorporate specified activities, including, among others, stormwater resource planning into its plan.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would encourage California water agencies that develop integrated regional water management plans retain as much stormwater runoff as reasonably possible to fulfill the water supply needs of their communities and reduce downstream water quality problems and that would require the costs of stormwater retention projects be borne equitably by all those who benefit from those projects.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 10540.1 is added to the Water Code, to
2 read:
3 10540.1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation
4 that would encourage California water agencies that develop
5 integrated regional water management plans to retain as much
6 stormwater runoff as reasonably possible to fulfill the water supply
7 needs of their communities and reduce downstream water quality
8 problems. It also is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation
9 to require that the costs of stormwater retention projects be borne
10 equitably by all those who benefit from those projects.

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